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DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

333 W. Nye Lane, Room 138
Carson City, Nevada 89706

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Public Notice

The Administrator, Division of Environmental Protection, Carson City, Nevada is issuing the following notice of proposed action in accordance with the Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS). The Administrator has received a complete application to renew Water Pollution Control Permit NEV89048 for a discharge from:

FMC Corporation
Po Box 800
6 Miles Northeast Of Battle Mountain
Battle Mountain, Lander County, Nevada 89820
Latitude: 40° 42' 14" North
Longitude: 116° 53' 14" West

The Applicant requests to renew authorization to discharge truck and equipment wash water through liquid-solid and oil-water separators before discharge to a ditch that irrigates trees, and for the operation of a sanitary septic system also used for discharge of deionization resin backwash water. The facility was used as a trans-loading operation for sodium cyanide and hydrogen peroxide. Facility operations have been discontinued, however, future operation remains plausible. The maximum design flow of the oil-water separator limits the discharge to 144,000 gpd. Daily septic discharge is limited to the equivalent size of the septic system. The proposed permit is for continued use of separated wastewater for irrigation, and upon issuance, the permit will remain in effect for a five (5) year period

On the basis of preliminary review of the requirements of the NRS and implementing regulations, the Administrator proposes to renew the permit to discharge, subject to defined effluent limitations. Persons wishing to comment upon or request a hearing, pursuant to Nevada Administrative Code-Water Pollution Control, regarding the

proposed Administrative determination(s), should submit their comments or requests, in writing, to:

Department of Conservation and Natural Resources
Division of Environmental Protection
Bureau of Water Pollution Control
333 West Nye Lane
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Comments or objections must be received within the 30-day comment period, which begins on the date of this publication. Comments or requests postmarked or received via facsimile or email before 5:00 PM on October 8, 2004 will be considered in the formulation of final determination(s) regarding the application. If written comments indicate a significant degree of public interest in the proposed permit, the Administrator shall hold a public hearing. Public notice of such hearing will be issued not less than thirty (30) days prior to the hearing date. If a hearing is not held and the determination(s) of the Administrator are substantially changed from the tentative determinations, the Administrator will give public notice of the revised determinations. Additional comments and objections will be considered at that time.

The application, proposed permit, comments received, and other information are on file and may be copied, or copies may be obtained by writing to the above address or by contacting Tamara Pelham at the Bureau of Water Pollution Control at 775.687.9434; facsimile: 775.687.4684; or email: tpelham@ndep.nv.gov. This notice and the draft fact sheet can be viewed at <http://ndep.nv.gov/admin/public.htm>